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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT

MS: AMENDMENT Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This amendment is in response to the Notice of Non-compliant Amendment dated August 30, 2005. This amendment is timely filed within the shortened statutory period set for the response. Attached is an Information Disclosure Statement enlisting US patents 4,456,550; 5,008,196; 5,036,003; 5,240,848 for the Examiner's reference. This response is further accompanied with a Declaration by Sherman Fong, Ph.D., with exhibits A-I and a copy of his curriculum vitae. Entry of these amendments and arguments are respectfully requested.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 3 of this paper.